

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 724
By Casada

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dorothy Jackson on her many years of service to education in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Jackson is one such estimable educator; having distinguished herself as an exemplary classroom teacher, she will enter her 41st year of teaching in the fall of 2003; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson has served with acumen and alacrity as a 3rd grade teacher, instructing and positively influencing her students at Bethesda Elementary School for 40 exemplary years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Jackson truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, perhaps most renowned for devising positive learning experiences for her students, Ms. Jackson is also known as a dedicated friend to her students and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, always willing to adapt and to change, Ms. Jackson tries anything that will motivate her students to learn, even creating a classroom version of the hit television show, *Survivor*; and

WHEREAS, extremely motivated herself, Ms. Jackson leaves Nashville at 6:30 every morning to drive to Bethesda Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson is an active and important part of her community and her profession, participating in numerous civic and educational organizations; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Dorothy Jackson is blessed with a loving and close-knit family; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Dorothy Jackson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and students alike; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jackson truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements and service to the children of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Dorothy Jackson on her 40 years of meritorious

service to the children of Tennessee, specifically her students at Bethesda Elementary School, and wish her the best in her every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.